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BECKER <i>et al.</i>	)	Examiner: Lacourciere, K.
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Serial No. 09/523,237	)	Atty. Docket No. GP068-03.CN1
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Filed: March 10, 2000	)	Confirmation No. 5771
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Title: KITS FOR AMPLIFYING TARGET	)	Date: July 30, 2003
NUCLEIC ACIDS USING MODIFIED	)	
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Dear Examiner Lacourciere:

In anticipation of our interview scheduled for August 5, 2003 at 10:00 A.M., please find attached a completed Form PTOL-413A.

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## Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/523,237 First Named Applicant: Michael M. Becker  
Examiner: Karen Lacourciere Art Unit: 1635 Status of Application: Pending

## Tentative Participants:

(1) Karen Lacourciere (2) Michael M. Becker(3) Charles B. Cappellari (4) \_\_\_\_\_Proposed Date of Interview: 8/5/03 Proposed Time: 10:00 A.M./P.M.

## Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☐ Telephonic (2) ☒ Personal (3) ☐ Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO

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## Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
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## Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

Discuss patentability of claim 492 amended to include limitation of claim 493  
in view of Palfi et al. (PNAS, vol. 88, October 1991, pages 9097-9101).

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_

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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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